



Parish Eucharist

In Creationtide

20th September 2026

10am



ST MARGARET'S
PUTNEY

Welcome to St Margaret's, Putney

St Margaret's is a haven of peace in bustling Putney.
A space to reflect and meet God. To connect with
others, celebrate life and find support when we need
it most. To grow strong bonds with our local
community and make positive change.

Our services and music are rooted in the traditions of
the Church of England. We want church to be
inclusive, thought-provoking and engaging, and we
strive to make God's Word relevant and connected
to everyday life. Children fully participate in Sunday
Mornings, with weekly Sunday School and regular all-
age services to energise and encourage their spiritual
growth.

Whether you want to feel part of something bigger
or need a quiet moment to yourself, there's a warm
welcome waiting for you, here at the heart of your
community.

St Margaret's, Putney. Reflect. Connect. Grow.

*Welcome to St Margaret's.
Please take a moment before our
service begins to pray.*

A voluntary may be played.

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

Please stand to sing the hymn:

Come, let us join our cheerful songs
with angels round the throne;
ten thousand thousand
are their tongues,
but all their joys are one.

'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry,
'to be exalted thus';
'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply,
'for he was slain for us.'

Jesus is worthy to receive
honour and power divine;
and blessings, more than we can give,
be, Lord, forever thine.

Let all that dwell above the sky,
and air, and earth, and seas,
conspire to lift thy glories high,
and speak thine endless praise.

The whole creation joins in one
to bless the sacred name

of him that sits upon the throne,
and to adore the Lamb.

NATIVITY

Henry Lahee 1826-1912

Isaac Watts 1674-1748

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Please be seated.

Words of welcome may follow.

**All Almighty God, to whom
all hearts are open,
all desires known and from
whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of
your Holy Spirit that we may
perfectly love you
and worthily magnify
your holy name; through
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

God so loved the world that
he gave his only Son Jesus
Christ to save us from our
sins, to be our advocate in
heaven and to bring us to
eternal life. Let us confess our
sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's
commandments and to live in
love and peace with all.

All Almighty God,
our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour in
thought and word and deed:

through negligence, through
weakness, through our own
deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and
repent of all our sins. For the
sake of your Son Jesus
Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and
grant that we may serve you
in newness of life to the
glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives
all who truly repent, have
mercy upon you, pardon and
deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in
all goodness and keep you in
life eternal; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please stand to sing the Gloria:

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
we worship You,
we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.
Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us; You are seated
at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

For You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

D Thorne b. 1962

Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within
us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with
reverence
and know your peace at our lives'
end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen

Please be seated.

Jonah 3. 10 - 4. 11

A reading from the book of Jonah

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, 'O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from

punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the LORD said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.'

But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the LORD said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you

did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?’

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Philippians 1, 21-end

A reading from the letter to the Phillipians

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Please stand as you are able to sing the Gospel Alleluia.

All Alleluia.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword.

All Alleluia.

Matthew 20:1-16

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to
Matthew.

All Glory to You, O Lord.

‘For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, “You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.” So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, “Why are you standing here idle all day?” They said to him, “Because no one has hired us.” He said to them, “You also go into the vineyard.” When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his

manager, “Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.” When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, “These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.” But he replied to one of them, “Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?” So the last will be first, and the first will be last.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to You, O Christ.

The Gospel is followed by a voluntary.

The Sermon

Rev'd Susan Wright

Please be seated.

Please stand for the creed.

Let us declare our faith in
God: Father, Son and Holy
Spirit.

**All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen and
unseen.**

We believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ, the only Son of
God, eternally begotten of
the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God
from true God, begotten,
not made, of one being with
the Father; through him all
things were made. For us
and for our salvation he
came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy
Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man. For our
sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate; he suffered
death and was buried.

On the third day he rose
again in accordance with the
Scriptures; he ascended into
heaven and is seated at the
right hand of the Father. He
will come again in glory to
judge the living and the
dead and his kingdom will
have no end.

We believe in the Holy
Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son; who
with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified;
who has spoken through the
prophets. We believe in one
holy catholic and apostolic
Church. We acknowledge
one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins. We look
for the resurrection of the
dead and the life of the
world to come.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Please be seated.

Let us pray for the whole
church of God in Christ Jesus
and for all people according
to their needs.

The response is:

Lord, in your mercy,

All hear our prayer.

The intercessions conclude:

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers for the
sake of your Son, our
Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

The congregation stands.

Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name
and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord
be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another
a sign of peace.

The Collection

- Please fill in a gift-aid envelope if you are a UK tax payer.
- A machine for card donations will circulate with the plate.
- Contactless Machines are also available at the back of church.
- Or you can go straight to our secure giving page by scanning the QR code



*Please stand to sing the offertory
hymn.*

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one,
lay down
thy head upon my breast.'
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place
and he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one;
stoop down and drink and live.'
I came to Jesus and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched,
my soul revived and now I live in
him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise
and all thy day be bright.'
I looked to Jesus and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till travelling days are done.**

KINGSFOLD

Horatius Bonar 1808-89

Adpt from an English Folk song RVW

Blessing of the Gifts

Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory, the
splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and
on earth is yours.

All things come from you,

**All and of your own do we give
 you.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord
our God.

**All It is right to give thanks
 and praise.**

Father, we give you thanks and
praise through your beloved
Son Jesus Christ, your living
Word, through whom you have
created all things, who was
sent by you in your great
goodness to be our Saviour. By
the power of the Holy Spirit he
took flesh.

As your Son, born of the
blessed Virgin, he lived on
earth and went about among
us.

He opened wide his arms for us
on the cross. He put an end to
death by dying for us and
revealed the resurrection by
rising to new life; so he fulfilled
your will and won for you a
holy people.

Therefore, with angels and
archangels and with all the
company of heaven, we
proclaim your great and
glorious name, forever praising
you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory:
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please be seated.

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

D Thorne b. 1962

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness. Grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.**

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world, rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup so that we, in the company of the blessed Virgin Mary, St Margaret and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Silence is held.

As our Saviour taught us,
so we pray:

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name; your
kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily
bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

We break this bread to share
in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are
one body because we all
share in one bread.

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

D Thorne b. 1962

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the
world. Blessed are those who
are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to
receive you, but only say the
word, and I shall be healed.

*The people receive communion.
All those baptised as members of
their own church are invited to
receive communion or a blessing.*

*If you would prefer to receive a
blessing please bring this order of
service with you. Please do not dip
your wafer into the wine.*

Prayers after Communion

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your
Son that love is the fulfilling of the
law:
grant that we may love you with our
whole heart and our neighbours as
ourselves; through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

All Amen.

All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of
your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies to be
a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of
your Spirit to live and work to
your praise and glory.
Amen.

The notices are given.

Please stand for our closing hymn.

Thou whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray
let there be light.

Thou who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to humankind
let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move o'er the waters' face,
bearing the lamp of grace

and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.

Holy and blessed Three,
glorious Trinity,
wisdom, love, might,
boundless as ocean's tide,
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth far and wide
let there be light.

MOSCOW

J. Marriott, 1780-1825

F. de Giardini, 1716-11796

The Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

The peace of God, which
passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in
the knowledge and love of
God and of his Son Jesus
Christ our Lord; and the
blessing of God almighty, the
Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and
remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord.

All In the name of Christ, amen.

*A voluntary is played. Please join us
after the service for refreshments.*

